

(Revised 15 July 67)

## OSA HISTORY OUTLINE

### I. Background

Land Panel Recommendation for High Altitude Reconnaissance  
Program  
Optics Work, Dr. James Baker  
Lockheed Profile

### II. Initial Approval

Acceptance of Land Panel's Recommendation by DIA and USAF  
Approval to Go Ahead from the President  
Joint CIA/USAF Program, with Covert Funding and Management

### III. Project Management Staff

Project Director  
Deputy and Staff  
Organization  
Personnel

### IV. Budgeting and Planning

Use of Director's Reserve  
Bureau of Budget Continuous Review  
USAF Contribution  
Budgeting and Planning, 1955-1966

### V. Development and Procurement

Air frame and Engine  
Photographic Systems  
Electronic Systems  
Other  
Procurement for Air Force, Navy, and others

### VI. Communications

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Agreement with Director, Communications  
Project [REDACTED] Established  
Communication Network Established: [REDACTED]  
Personnel Furnished: Use of AACCS Personnel

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VII. Security/Cover

Office of Security Support  
Development of Cover  
Agreements with [REDACTED]  
Development and Coordination of Emergency Procedures  
Incidents

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VIII. Test Program

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Selection of Test Site  
[REDACTED] Agreement  
Construction at [REDACTED]  
First Flight  
Further Construction  
Engine Development  
Lines of Command at [REDACTED] Personalities  
Phase-out of [REDACTED]  
Continued Testing at Edwards

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IX. Pilot Recruiting and Training

Foreign or U.S.?  
Recruitment Program with SAC Aid  
Terms of Contract; Cover Arrangements  
Aeromedical Support: ARDC, Lovelace, Firewell etc.  
Training Program: SAC Training Unit

X. USAF U-2 Program (FOG)

AQUATONE Procurement Channels  
Flight Testing and Training  
4070th Support Wing move to [REDACTED]

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XI. Detachment A

Cadre Build-up  
Materiel: Development of SLOE and FAK  
Training and USCM: Certification of Combat Readiness  
[REDACTED]

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Approval for Operations: 2 Weeks Limitation  
Over Satellites; Over USSR; Russian Protest  
The Long Stand-down Begins  
Later Operations: Mid East; Satellites  
Return to ZI

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XII. Detachment [REDACTED]

Cadre Build-up  
Training Period  
Deployment to Incerlik

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[REDACTED]  
USAFE Support/SAC Support  
Build-up of Facilities; Air Shuttle  
Initial Operations: Mid-East Coverage 1956-58  
Continued Operations 1959-60  
Change of Command and Reorganization  
Staging Operations: [REDACTED]  
May Day 1960 and After

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XIII. Detachment [REDACTED] 25X1A

Cadre Build-up  
Training Period  
Delayed Deployment: Negotiations for FE Base; Squeeze 25X1A  
Between SAC's [REDACTED] and SAC's U-2 Programs; 25X1A  
[REDACTED]  
Operations: [REDACTED] China Mainland, 25X1A  
Typhoon Hunting, [REDACTED] 25X1A  
Political Climate: Return to ZI

XIV. Detachment [REDACTED] 25X1A

Formation and Purpose 25X1A  
Operations: Include Cuban Missile Crisis, [REDACTED]

XV. Detachment [REDACTED] 25X1A

Initial Concept 25X1C  
Negotiations [REDACTED]  
Transfer of Aircraft: Negotiations with FAA & Lockheed  
Memorandum of Understanding [REDACTED] 25X1A  
TACKLE Program Established: Problems Encountered  
Accomplishments through December 1966

XVI. AQUATONE/AMD Amalgamation

Take-over of Air Support Functions  
Period under DD/P Aegis

XVII. Intelligence Obtained from Overhead Reconnaissance  
Requirements System: ARC/COMOR  
Processing the Take: [REDACTED]/NPIC; Eastman 25X1A  
ELINT: Blue Room; NTPC  
Control Systems: TALENT Etc.  
Effect on National Policy

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14 June 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Executive Director-Comptroller

THRU : Chief, Historical Staff/DCI

SUBJECT : Historical Programs in the Directorates  
for Intelligence, Science and Technology  
and Support

1. A year has now passed since historical programs were initiated in the Directorates for Intelligence, Science and Technology, and Support. As you may imagine, it was not easy to "sell" these programs. There are so many required reports and papers of different kinds in the Agency today that with the best will in the world officers responsible for operations could only consider the writing of historical papers by staff personnel an added burden which they were not anxious to undertake. However, the three Deputy Directors, together with their senior personnel, supported the program, and after a few months we were under way. In fact, I am pleased by a certain rather unexpected enthusiasm which has developed in regard to the historical enterprise.

2. During the first year, Historical Board meetings were held as follows: DDI, six; DDS, four; and DDS&T, two. In addition, I had a number of meetings with the Board Chairmen, and they, in turn, met at frequent intervals with individual members of their boards and with personnel designated to write historical papers.

3. As you know, all Directorates have submitted their initial programs. No purpose would be served by sending you another detailed list of them, but I think it would interest you to know that:

a. The DDI has included in its program some forty historical papers ranging from narrative histories to short monographs, with an additional thirteen under consideration. Thirty-one persons (primarily staff), with a number of assistants, have been designated to write these papers.

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b. The DDS&T has incorporated eighteen papers into its program and is considering an additional thirty-seven. Eighteen staff employees have been designated as writers.

c. The DDS has included one hundred and ten papers in its program and is considering additional monographs. To date, some seventy-nine staff employees have been designated to do the writing. In the case of DDS, a number of the scheduled histories are short papers which may eventually be incorporated into one or more longer ones.

Needless to say, all programs must be considered tentative and subject to deletions and additions as time goes on.

4. It was your desire that the number of annuitants writing under contract should be held to a minimum. As of 1 June, the DDI has one person in an Independent Contractor status. This contract will be renewed for one year, effective 30 June 1967. Two others are presently being cleared for contract, one to run for a year, and one for approximately six months. DDS has two current contracts, one expiring 30 June 1967 and the other extended to September 1967. DDS&T has no contract personnel for writing purposes. Considering the number of papers to be written, this is a very good showing.

5. It is obvious that the level of historical writing will vary considerably with the individual. We are not trying to produce smooth-flowing, finished histories, but rather an accurate record of what has transpired since the formation of CIA. We have stressed that histories should be as free as possible from bias, and that they should include the record of all controversies and how these have been resolved, if they have been resolved. Nothing should be "brushed under the rug." This will make them more valuable, but also harder to write, and to assure as much objectivity as possible, senior officers in the three Directorates have been designated to review the historical papers as they are produced.

6. Many of the deadlines still appear to be optimistic, but as research and drafting is progressing satisfactorily in all areas, I think that by 30 June 1968, we should have a large number of the proposed papers in final form.

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7. I would like again to emphasize that the three Deputy Directors and their senior personnel have been uniformly cooperative and have been wholeheartedly behind the program. The efforts of the three Historical Boards and their Chairmen are also worthy of note.

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